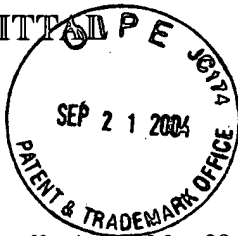


REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995



Application Number	09/816,770
Confirmation Number	4825
Filing Date	March 26, 2001
First Named Inventor	Tsuyoshi KITAHARA
Group Art Unit	2853
Examiner Name	Lam S. Nguyen
Matter Number	Q63724
Title	LIQUID JETTING METHOD AND LIQUID JETTING APPARATUS USING THE METHOD

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on August 23, 2004
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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